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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION
UP 7.3 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 558 million pounds during August, UP 7.3 percent from last year's production of 520 million pounds. July 2006 production totaled 590 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during August averaged 337,000 head, up 17,000 head from last year and up 2,000 head from the July 2006 number. Production per cow averaged 1,655 pounds during August, up 1.8 percent from last year.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from production in these same states in August 2005. July revised production, at 13.9 billion pounds, was up 1.5 percent from July 2005.

Production per cow during August averaged 1,680 pounds, 9 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.25 million head, 88,000 head more than last year, but 9,000 head less than July 2006.